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BY ECF

Honorable Lorna G. Schofield United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, New York 10007

Re: <u>United States v. Tyler Sykes</u>

16 Cr. 43 (LGS)

Dear Judge Schofield:

Pursuant to the Court's Order, the defense writes on behalf of the parties to provide a status update concerning charges brought by the Manhattan District Attorney's Office against Tyler Sykes.

As the Court is aware, on November 14, 2019, Mr. Sykes was indicted in Manhattan Supreme Court in connection with an alleged incident on March 14, 2019. Mr. Sykes was arraigned on the indictment on December 17, 2019, pleaded not guilty, and was remanded. A motion schedule was set and the matter was adjourned to March 17, 2020.

The parties have been advised that Mr. Sykes' March 17, 2020 court appearance was administratively adjourned to April 28, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic and its effect on the operation of state court. Mr. Sykes is currently incarcerated at Rikers Island.

The parties remain available to answer any further inquiries from the Court.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Robert M. Baum

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